

WILL GOSSETT FACES COURT

Wife Slayer's Defense Is That
Blow on Head Made Him
Irresponsible.

RECORD UNCONTROLLABLE

Dead Wife's Father, Also Vic-
tim of Gossett's Bullet,
Tells Story.

A lick given him on the head when a child, dealt by his own father, has rendered Bill Gossett irresponsible in determining right from wrong and of never stopping to consider the consequences of evil doing. At least this is the mainstay of the defense in the Gossett murder trial, substantiated by the testimony of Christian Menzler, secretary of the state board of charities. Mr. Menzler was the first witness called for the defense Friday in the case of Will Gossett, charged with murdering his wife, Grace Gossett, and attempting to kill her stepfather, J. S. Walters.

The double tragedy occurred at the corner of East End avenue and Eighth street on Feb. 16 last. The state rested its case at the noon hour and Mr. Menzler was called to the stand and the defense began to build up their plea of insanity.

Gossett's sister sat by his side during the morning session, while the defendant sat with expressionless eyes, seeming not to realize the horror of his crime. He is a young man only twenty years of age and the wife he killed was not quite sixteen.

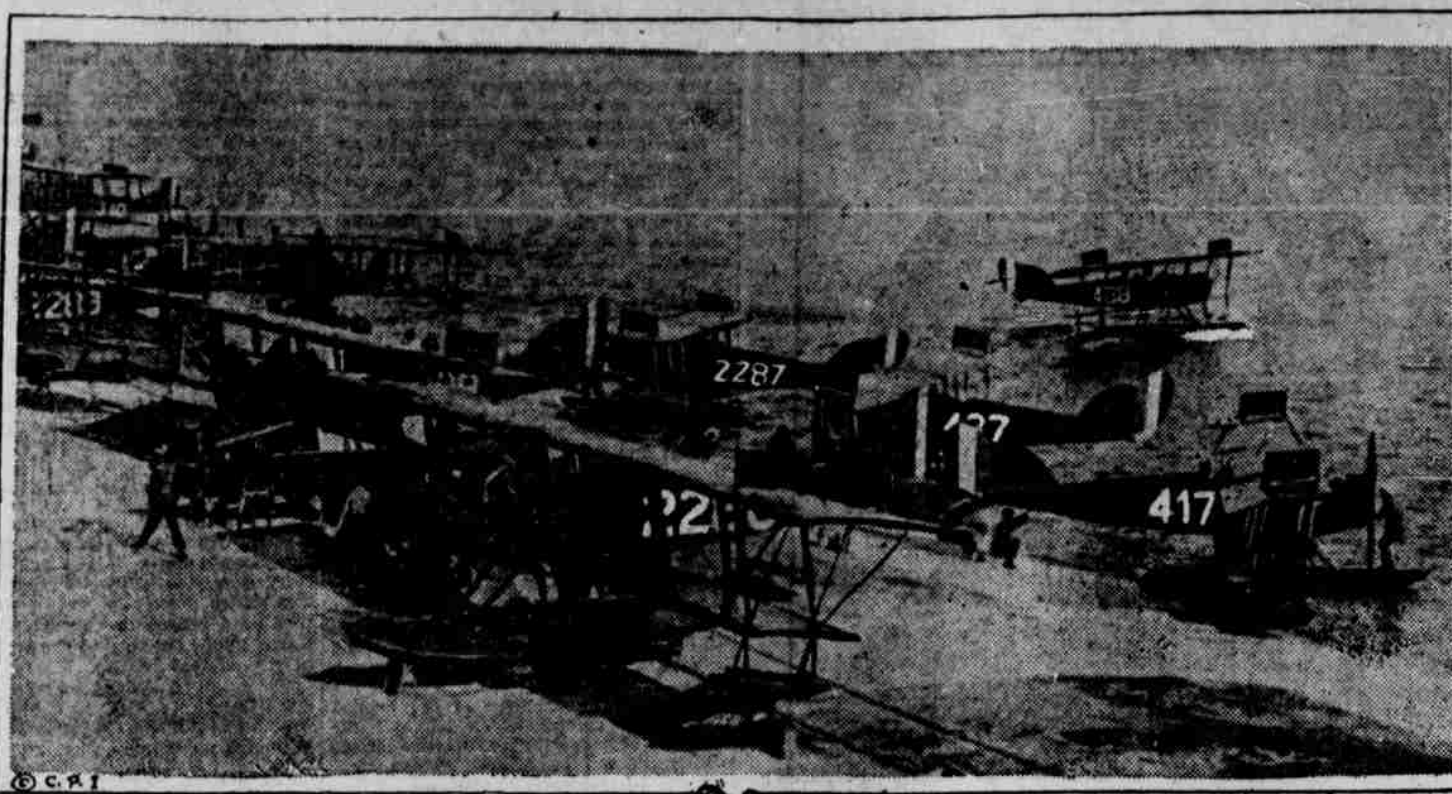
Story of Tragedy.
The first witness called for the state was Josie Walters, step-sister of the woman Gossett killed. She testified she was with her sister, Byrd Hillis and her stepfather, J. S. Walters, on the afternoon of the killing. She said all four left town together and walked on Ninth street and turned in East End. Near Eighth street, she stated, her sister turned and said, "watchout, Joe, here comes Bill." Then, the witness said, Gossett came up and without a word pulled a pistol from under his raincoat and shot his wife in the cheek. When Mr. Walters stooped over to pick up his stepdaughter Gossett fired twice at him and then ran. She stated she then ran for help and her sister and stepfather were rushed to Brainerd hospital, where the former lived only two days. Witness said the defendant had on a number of occasions threatened his wife's life, saying if she did not come back to him he would kill her. She said her wife was afraid of him because he was mean to her and had repeatedly refused to again live with him.

J. S. Walters was the next witness and he testified in substance as did the preceding witness. He stated Gossett had fired one shot at his stepdaughter, which struck her in the cheek and two at him, the other in his shoulder.

Byrd Hillis, who was the other witness present when the killing occurred, was then called. He duplicated the others' testimony.

Deputy Sheriff Alred, who, together with Frank Hendrix, arrested Gossett, stated that he found Gossett in a neighbor's yard on the night of the shooting. He said he was going towards his home, which was nearby, when he arrested him. He had no weapon nor was he drinking. He remarked to officer, "I shot into them out

WAITING TO TACKLE BOMB-DROPPING BOCHES



All along the Atlantic coast where Uncle Sam's aviation stations are located they're all set for any aerial deviltry that the Huns may attempt to bring over here. Planes are flying continually over the seas near the shore on the lookout for any possibility of the Huns launching any of their fliers. Washington is not expecting any aerial attacks, but should they come, they'll find our huge birds all set for them. The above picture shows a group of fifteen machines getting ready for observation, somewhere over the Atlantic.

there, but don't know what the damage was."

Mental Disorder.

The state at this juncture rested and Mr. Menzler was called to the stand for the defense. He stated that before he accepted his present position he was probation officer for Chattanooga. Gossett, he said, was one of the first cases he ever handled. He stated he was forced, when Gossett was only twelve years of age, to put him in the Tennessee industrial school, and while there he gave the officials all kinds of trouble. He would attack his superior officers at the institution and seemed not to know what the consequences would be.

"I think he is mentally and physically imperfect," said the witness. Mr. Menzler further stated the boy had for a long time suffered from a deadly disease he had contracted and of which he never got rid.

Court then adjourned for the noon hour.

The state is represented by Gen. M. N. Whitaker and Geo. W. Chamblee and the defense by J. H. Early and O. W. Reese.

GEN. HELMICH LOOKS OVER CHICKAMAUGA

Officer Makes Thorough Tour
of Inspection to Report
to Washington.

Brig.-Gen. E. A. Helmich, official representative of the inspector-general of the United States army, spent Friday morning with the infantry troops at Chickamauga park preparing his report of their condition. He arrived in Chattanooga Thursday and left for Fort Oglethorpe Friday morning, the entire forenoon being taken up in his inspection of the camp.

Everything from training progress of the troops to sanitary conditions in the kitchen comes within his scope, and before he leaves for another army cantonment Saturday he will have prepared an exhaustive report upon just how the boys in khaki at Fort Oglethorpe are being treated and what they are doing while training to fight the Huns.

No significance is attached to his visit, he himself stating it is but the regular inspection conducted at intervals in all the army camps in the United States.

British Food Controller Praised for Achievement

(Associated Press.)
London, June 14.—Tribute is paid to Richard Rhodes by the newspapers on the completion of his first year in office as food controller. One newspaper, which voices the general opinion, says:

"The best tribute to his workers is supplied by enemy sources. The German censor, in order to continue the delusion of a people who fondly imagine we are undergoing a process of starvation, has forbidden any allusion to the British food controller's notable achievements. Prices have been established, the queue no longer exists and rationing is working smoothly. "If the populations of the central powers were acquainted with the comfortable food situation in this country, a social revolution in Germany and Austria would be hastened in no inconsiderable degree."

ARGENTINE PRESIDENT MAY HAVE TO TAKE STAND

(Associated Press.)
Buenos Aires, June 14.—The differences among the supporters of President Irigoyen as to the government's position in the war are approaching a crisis. In the chamber of deputies at present, bill making July 14 a national holiday in Argentina is being debated, with a fair chance that it will be passed.

The bill is being supported by liberal radicals, who are friendly to the United States and the allies and who maintain that Bastille day, July 14, is significant to the democracies of the world. The conservative radicals and the clerical radicals, who are friendly to Germany, Spain and Mexico, argue that such a celebration would offend the Germans and that the holiday is merely a pretense by the pro-allied radicals to force the government to sidestep neutrality.

If the bill is passed, which is believed probable in political circles, it will be up to the president to either sign or veto it. In either case he will have to take a definite stand.

DIVORCE AND APPEAL DOCKETS SET FOR MONDAY

Judge Nathan L. Bachman announced Friday he would hear the call of the divorce and appeal docket Monday morning. Judge Bachman's court has been in session for the past several days trying some old litigation which had for some time been hanging fire. Judge Bachman stated he wanted to get all this old litigation free of the calendar before he finishes his term of office.

CHATTANOOGA MEN GO TO OVERSEAS "Y" WORK

Will Report in New York About
June 24 and Will Go Over
July 1.

A number of the most prominent and most influential men of Chattanooga have received their final acceptance for Y. M. C. A. work in foreign fields and expect to take leave at once. Among these are Stephen Doughton, of Nelson Chessman Advertising company; John E. Gilbreath, of the Phoenix Mutual Insurance company; Dr. E. L. Grace, pastor of the Central Baptist church; Dr. C. W. Kelley, of the Trinity Methodist church, and A. T. Waters, of the Chattanooga Medicine company. These men have received letters during the past few days from the department at New York notifying them to report at the New York Y. M. C. A. headquarters the latter part of this month.

Recruiting for foreign service in the Y. M. C. A. has progressed in Chattanooga for some time and the local committees have been busy going over the applications and sending them to the departments for acceptance. The applications have been to Nashville and have passed the state organization; from there they were sent to Atlanta, where they passed the southeastern division, and then on to New York where the main headquarters is located, and they were finally passed upon there.

Stephen Doughton has been in Chattanooga for the past six and a half years, connected with the Nelson Chessman company, and has been actively interested in all civic affairs. He has been connected as publicity manager of both the Red Cross and liberty loan campaigns.

John E. Gilbreath has been in Chattanooga during the past five years. He left Chattanooga some years ago and took up his residence elsewhere, coming back here to make his home. Mr. Gilbreath has been connected with both the morning and afternoon papers of this city and while he is in the insurance business at present he is well known as a reporter.

Mr. Waters has lived in Chattanooga for forty-two years, having been connected with the Chattanooga Medicine company for the past nineteen years. He is a prominent member of the Look-out Mountain Presbyterian church and of many fraternal organizations.

Dr. Kelley and Dr. Grace are both prominent ministers and have been here for something like nine years. Most of the applicants have been notified to report in New York not later than June 24, and they expect to sail for foreign fields about July 1. Mr. Doughton will leave the city Sunday and will spend the remainder of his time visiting in the east. Mr. Gilbreath will leave to make his home of next week, as he expects to stop over at Sweetwater. Both Dr. Kelley and Dr. Grace have made plans to leave at once also.

White Clark Bradford has heard from the southeastern division he has not heard from the New York division. However, he is expecting to any day. Dr. W. S. Keese, one of the well-known ministers who made application to do special religious work, will not go, as there was not a special opening for the particular work that he wanted to do. Dr. Keese has a large family and was willing to make the big sacrifice if he could go as a special religious worker among the boys. Most of the men who applied filed out their applications to do any kind of work they may be called upon to do.

Indiana Ambulance Driver Takes German Prisoner

(International News Service.)
Paris, June 14.—Samuel O. Duval, of Renaissance, Ind., is the first ambulance driver to take a German prisoner. Duval's car broke down north of Chateau-Thierry. While he was tinkering with it he saw a German, who had been in hiding, running across a field. Duval, who was unarmed, rushed forward and leveled his monkey wrench at the boche, calling upon him to surrender. The German threw up his hands and Duval took his rifle away from him and turned him over to the doughboys. The hardy American ambulance man got his just congratulations.

ADDRESS ON ECONOMICS AT BAPTIST CHURCH TONIGHT

An expert in home economics, Dean Sarah Louise Arnold, will deliver an address tonight at the First Baptist church on food conservation. She is now attached to the United States food administration, spreading a knowledge of food conservation. Miss Arnold has been dean of Simmons college since 1902. Having had many years' experience as a speaker she delivers her message in a clear forceful style.

SAMMIES CHEER BELGIAN BANNER AS FLAG DAY IS CELEBRATED AT POST

"Long Shall It Wave," Corrects Gen. Dashiels & Soldiers Sing
National Anthem—Day Well Observed.

Flag day was commemorated by the soldiers stepped forth, the two in the center carrying the red, white and blue of the United States, symbolically protected on each side by the silken standards of the Fifty-first and Fifty-second regiments, even the wind whistling through the native pines seemed to lend its voice to the cheers which arose and resounded. Cheers for the other allied nations were led by a Y. M. C. A. secretary, but cheers for Old Glory sprang simultaneously.

The flag presentation was presided over by Capt. Geiger, chaplain of the Fifty-first infantry, and preceding it popular songs were sung by the assembled soldiers. It was followed by a talk by Chaplain Dineen, of the Fifty-second infantry, who explained the origin of the United States flag, its significance today and the origin of the "Star-Spangled Banner," which was sung by the audience afterward.

After Chaplain Dineen's address the soldiers were about to be disbanded, but Gen. Dashiels, who had been sitting on the platform, arose and volunteered the following, which was received enthusiastically:

"The sentiment of the poet who composed our national anthem was expressed in the words of the chorus, 'Long shall it wave.' Let ours be Long shall it wave."

The exercises were held in a grove

BRITISH CASUALTIES FOR WEEK TOTAL 34,171.

(Associated Press.)
London, June 14.—British casualties reported in the week ending today totaled 34,171 officers and men, of this number 4,447 being killed.

The casualties were divided as follows:
Killed or Died of Wounds—Officers, 231; men, 4,216.
Wounded or Missing—Officers, 899; men, 25,825.

north of the headquarters of the Eleventh brigade.

TWO KNOXVILLE MEN MEET TRAGIC DEATHS

John B. Angel Killed at Cleveland and J. K. Spence Killed by Falling Flagpole.

(Special to The News.)

Knoxville, June 14.—Two Knoxville men were killed by accidents Thursday evening. John B. Angel, 36-year-old, was killed in a fall from the top of a telephone pole at Cleveland, and James K. Spence died from injuries sustained when a flagpole which he was helping to put up fell on him. The body of Louis Haseil, a Boy Scout who was drowned, was recovered from the river Friday.

AUTO FAILS TO TOSS BULL, BUT DRIVER BADLY HURT

(International News Service.)
Albany, N. Y.—A bull, being led along the Albany-Troy road, charged an automobile. The auto was knocked into a ditch. Conrad Monrow, who was driving the machine, suffered injuries from which he will lose an arm. The bull is back in the pasture and the auto in a repair shop.

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